

Nielsen, chairman, called the regular meeting of the Extension Education and Community Development Committee to order at 9:00 a.m., on January 10, 2013 at the Vilas County Courthouse Rm. #2, Eagle River, WI 54521

Present: The following persons were present: County Board members Dennis Nielsen, Chuck Hayes, Emil Bakka, Linda Thorpe, and Maynard Bedish; others Nancy Anne Miller, Terri Miller, Chris Stark, Jenette Chiamulera, Teresa Arnold, Mary Stys and Rosemary Leveille,
The following County Board members was/were excused:
The following County Board members was/were absent:
Media Present:

Approve Agenda: Motion by Bakka, second by Hayes to approve the agenda to be handled in any order at the discretion of the Chair. Motion carried, all voting aye.

Approve Minutes: Motion to approve the minutes of the December 13, 2012 meeting was made by Hayes, second by Thorpe. Motion carried, all voting aye.

Featured Program – Terri Miller, Teresa Arnold, & Mary Stys

T. Miller explained that the Nutrition Program is funded completely by a USDA Federal grant. She explained the position differences between the Nutrition Coordinator and the Nutrition Educator. The committee was given 2 brochures (on file in the UWEX office) about the nutrition program along with a flyer on boosting your immunity with foods, and 2 "Spice Up Your Life" flyers. Arnold and Stys gave a shortened version of one of their learning sessions that are done at some of the meal sites; along with a shortened version of a spice game. Arnold gave a brief overview about working one on one with a community member in need to learn how to budget, shop, and/or cook.

Extension Office Sustainability Dialogue

Each committee member asked questions and gave feedback and ideas about the Nutrition Program.

Leonardo DaVinci Idea Book –

N. Miller shared with everyone a couple of her big ideas: that the support staff position for UWEX is not eliminated at the end of 2012; the County to write and adopt a strategic plan.

Out-of-County travel –

Motion by Thorpe, second by Bakka to approve the following travel: N. Miller to Madison on January 15th – 16th for CEAC meeting; N. Miller, T. Miller, Arnold, Chiamulera, and Stark on January 22nd – 24th to Keshena for North Central Region Inaugural Face to Face Conference & WACEC; and Stys to Madison on January 22nd – 24th for WNEP Training, and to Wausau on January 25th – 26th for Garden Vision Conference. Motion carried, all voting aye. The agents list of travel is on file in the UWEX office.

Budget Update/Approval of Vouchers –

The budget update (on file in the UWEX office) was given to the committee and the committee signed the statement of bills. N. Miller told the committee that she is aware of the fact that the Economic Development Committee has no budget right now and have been using the UW-Extension copy budget.

Correspondence and Communications –

Bakka asked how VILAS Vision was going this year, N. Miller explained that the 2012-2013 program was canceled due to lack of enrollment. The committee was given information regarding the State WACEC conference, April 8 – 10, in Madison and there will be legislative visits at the Capitol. N. Miller told the committee that the agents will be presenting at the joint North Central Region Conference WACEC meeting next week in Keshena. She also informed them that the 5 year financial plan requested by Hilger, Finance Director was turned in to him.

Future Meeting Dates/Items –

The next regular meeting is set for Thursday, February 14, 2013 at 9:00 a.m. in the Vilas County Courthouse, 330 Court St., Eagle River, WI 54521. Bakka will be unable to attend the February meeting. Tom Schmitz, North Central Region Director, will be attending.

Adjournment –

Nielsen adjourned the meeting at 10:53 a.m.

Minutes reflect the recorders notations and are subject to approval by the appropriate board or committee.

Respectfully submitted by: Rosemary Leveille